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Most CCTV cameras installed in city are dysfunctional thanks to lack of maintenance; not helping citizens' grievance redressal amidst poor street lighting

CAMERA OBSCURA

2,415 CCTV cams set up at vulnerable spots last year

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A motorcyclist escaped from being punished for injuring a senior citizen in Vidyaranyapura on June 28 thanks to dysfunctional CCTV cameras.

The story of Chandrasekhar G is testimony to the apathy and negligence of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) in maintaining CCTV cameras installed at strategic locations across the city.

"I was waiting to cross the road after feeding stray dogs. I decided to wait for an approaching two-wheeler rider to pass; but the bike hit me from behind; I fell down on the road. The rider sped away from the spot soon after. I underwent surgery on my hip at a private hospital. I was in the hospital for more than a week and spent Rs 1.50 lakh towards medical bills," said Chandrasekhar.

"Police could not do anything after finding the defunct CCTV camera

— Chandrasekhar G, accident victim

He said there was no proper street lighting on the road thus making it difficult for him to glean the registration number of the vehicle.

"I complained to the Yelahanka traffic police; they tried their best to help me but they could not do anything after finding the defunct CCTV camera, installed at the bus stop which is very close to the accident spot. The camera was installed by the Vidyaranyapura police inspector a few years ago," he said, adding that it would have been easy for the police to nab the accused had the CCTV camera been in a good condition.

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How people share false memories

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01 Understanding emotions

If you have been feeling overwhelming emotions, then this event will be great for you. It is a guide to managing your emotions better and in a healthy way. **When: October 2, 11 am onwards Where: online; Tickets: insider.in**

02 Jam session

For all music lovers, this event is perfect. Pick up the instrument of your liking and jam with other musicians. **When: September 28 Where: Lahe Lahe; Tickets: bookmyshow**

03 For all shopping lovers

The Crafts Council of Karnataka is here with the 30th edition of Vastrabharana, an annual flagship exhibition and sale of handcrafted textiles and jewellery by 51 artisans. **When: Till October 3 Where: Chitrakala Parishad; Tickets: Free**

04 Let it click

Ever wondered if you want to enhance your photography skills? This event is the best for you then. This event will not only teach photography but also how to sell the skill. **When: Till September 30; Where: Online; Tickets: bookmyshow.com**

Unending wait

Over 400 NGEF ex-employees await compensation since factory shut down in 2002; all their appeals have gone unheard so far

In a protest on Friday, NGEF limited ex-employees staged protests demanding the authorities to make arrangements to giving compensation that is due to them

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New Government Electrical Factory (NGEF) was shut down back in 2002 and more than 400 of its employees are still running from pillar to post to receive compensation. They staged a protest on Friday at Khanija Bhavan demanding the NGEF Limited authorities make arrangements to disburse the compensation as per the court order.

NGEF Ex-Employees Welfare Association general secretary Krishna Urs told Bangalore Mirror that many of the employees, who are yet to get compensation, have passed away and those alive badly needed compensation.

"We have been appealing to the NGEF Ltd authorities to pay the compensation for 439 employees all these years but in vain. Some of the employees who lost jobs due to the closure of the NGEF Ltd are no more," said Krishna Urs.

He said the agitating ex-employees wanted to hand over a memorandum to Gunjan Krishna, Commissioner, Department of Industries and Commerce but in vain.

"Our intention was to narrate the plight of surviving ex-employees of NGEF and the difficulties of those families whose bed earners are no more but the Commissioner deputed her subordinate to receive the memorandum," he said.

Demanding the authorities to make arrangements for giving compensation, Gopalaiah K, an NGEF ex-employee said that he has to depend on his son for everything.

"I am 75 years old. I have to depend on my son for all my needs. Whatever cash compensation from the NGEF will be a great help for me at this age," said Gopalaiah.

R Mohan, an ex-employee of NGEF Ltd said that he was one of the 300 employees who continued in service for a year after most of the employees stopped attending duties.

> **"We have been appealing to the NGEF Ltd authorities to pay compensation for 439 employees all these years but in vain**
> – Krishna Urs, NGEF ex-employee

"The NGEF completely shut down in 2013. There was a superannuation scheme for the benefit of employees but the management, after deducting payment from our salaries, did not remit the same with the LIC. In 2015, the High Court directed the NGEF management to give compensation to us but we are yet to receive the compensation," said Mohan. Many await to receive their voluntary retirement scheme (VRS) benefits too.

"Though I have no problems making both ends meet, I want the NGEF management to clear all the dues as early as possible," said NM Govindarajulu, another NGEF ex-employee.

It may be recalled that the state government, in May 2003, decided to settle the dues of 5,441 employees of NGEF Ltd at the cost of Rs 31.68 crore.

The then Law Minister D B Chandre Gowda said the government spent Rs 200 crore towards paying monthly pension to 1,533 employees from 1995 onwards.

Don't hike MBBS fee, students urge govt

Fees likely to go up for academic year 2022-23 by 10% owing to operational difficulties

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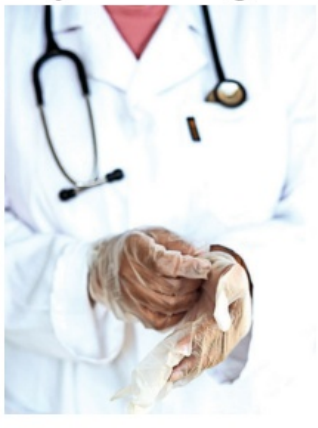
All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO) has requested the state government not to increase the medical and dental fees of government quota seats in private management colleges by ten per cent from this year.

Ajay Kamath, AIDSO Karnataka State Secretary, said, "We all know the painful condition of education in the state. The privatisation of education, fee hike, government's policies favouring private management lobby has kept lakhs of students, mainly from rural areas, out of higher education,"

As per the reports, the fee for MBBS seats is likely to go up for the academic year 2022-23 as private medical colleges have refused to budge from their demand. The state government hasn't made any official announcements. The new fee structure is likely to be announced by Monday.

"The fact that enrollment in government degree colleges has fallen significantly this year is a mirror held up to these problems and highlights the reality of the situation today. Thus this fee hike will further discourage medical aspirants from enrolling in higher education. Therefore, AIDSO and the students of the state urged that the government should immediately withdraw the decision of fee hike and protect the interest of the students," he added.



The government plans to increase the fees of medical and dental courses in the state by ten per cent from the current academic year. Accordingly, students enrolling in private colleges under the government quota will have to pay an additional Rs 12,884. Instead of 1,28,746 till now, the students have to pay the fee of 1,41,630.

> **"Privatisation of education, fee hike has kept lakhs of students from rural areas, out of higher education**
> – Ajay Kamath, AIDSO state secretary

Earlier, medical colleges in the state had demanded a 15 per cent hike citing difficulty in operational costs. There was no fee hike in the academic year 2021-22 while the pay scale for teaching staff has increased, the colleges state. However, the government turned down their demand and convinced them for a ten per cent hike instead.

DIALLING 108: SORRY UNAVAILABLE RIGHT NOW

As patients, ambulance drivers wonder if such a facility can be held hostage to technical snags, state govt promises quick rectification

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Sunday morning turned out to be a sort of 'health emergency' in Bengaluru and other cities as 108 ambulances became 'unreachable'. Due to a technical error, patients or their kin were not able to call the helpline. As a result, many needy patients had to go through much agony due to unavailability of ambulances on time. The health department blamed it on a technical snag but patients and families sought answers on how an all-important facility could be brought to a halt due to a technical snag.

On Sunday, a nurse working in Nelamangala Government Hospital wanted to book an ambulance to shift a patient to another hospital. However, despite calling multiple times, the numbers were not going through. She then called a person whom she knew in 108, who said that there were technical issues and so no calls could be attended.

Many patients too expressed shock at not being able to find ambulances. "Due to non-availability of 108 ambulances, we are forced to call up ambulances from private hospitals. Some of them are charging a bomb to transfer patients from home to hospitals. All patients had no choice but to pay a hefty fee. We are clueless as to why this problem persisted," said a patient, who didn't want to be named.

A member of 108 ambulance drivers' association told BM the problem persisted for the last 36 hours. "We are told that it is due to a technical problem but I wonder why the health department is taking no action. The technical snag is just a small issue as many of the ambulances are grounded and not operational due to mechanical faults including tyre bursts but no one has repaired them so far," he said.

File photo of 108 ambulances lined up outside the Vidhana Soudha before being flagged of, in September 2021

> **"I wonder why no action is being taken. The technical snag is just a small issue as many of the ambulances are grounded and not operational due to mechanical fault including tyre bursts**

Chief Minister Basavaraj S Bommai said the Health Minister has been directed to take urgent measures and ensure that the 108 ambulances are made operational.

Surprisingly, the unavailability of 108 ambulances was reported from many different cities and towns in Karnataka. Later reacting to this, Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar said, "There were technical snags in the 108 ambulance helpline. However, there is no need for anyone to be concerned as we are in the process of fixing the issue. There were issues in the call centre system. We have informed the contractor GVK-EMRI to fix the issue at the earliest."

According to him while the calls made to 108 would be automatically answered in less than two minutes and transferred to the ambulance driver the snag caused a rise in the call transfer time to six to seven minutes. He said due to this while earlier, the control room would handle 7-8,000 calls a day now they are able to attend 2 to 2,500 calls a day. "So, as a priority basis, we have asked for the deployment of ambulances to hospital inter-transfer facilities. The drivers have been told to go on duty even if they get calls on their personal mobile numbers. We have also decided to increase the manpower at 112 emergency helplines. We are also using the 104 helpline to reduce pressure on 108 for now," he said.

6 IAF officers booked for murder over cadet death

Six Indian Air Force officials have been booked for murder following the suspicious death of a trainee cadet at the Air Force Technical College (AFTC) here, police said.

The deceased youth, identified as 27-year-old Ankit Kumar Jha, was training at the AFTC in Jalahalli campus for one and half years, according to police. He had allegedly committed suicide by hanging after being discharged from service following a court of inquiry. However, the youth's family have claimed that their son had been killed.

In his suicide note, the deceased had mentioned the names of six IAF officers - including an Air Commodore, a Group Captain and two Wing Commanders - among others, police sources said. Aman, brother of the deceased, has alleged that training officer had killed his brother and sought to make the death look like a suicide.

Gangammamgudi police have taken up the case and are investigating both the angles. **IANS**

Ex-CM Krishna in hospital

Former Karnataka chief minister SM Krishna was on Sunday admitted to a private hospital with acute respiratory tract infection.

The hospital, however, said Krishna is on a minimal respiratory support.

"Shri SM Krishna is admitted in Manipal hospital, Airport Road, Bengaluru. He has acute respiratory tract infection," Manipal Hospital said in a statement. "He is on minimal respiratory support and in a cheerful frame of mind. His health status is being monitored by Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar," the bulletin added.

Krishna was the 16th chief minister of Karnataka. **PTI**

Into the manhole: 'BWSSB contractor made us do it'

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If the latest manhole incident is anything to go by, it seems the authorities concerned are yet to pull off socks to end this menace that had claimed the lives of innocent and hapless people not only in Bengaluru but also other parts of the state.

Three people died in March 2017 while cleaning a manhole on Kaggadasapura Main Road, three people died of asphyxiation at HSR Layout in January 2018, two people died in Kalaburagi in January 2021, three people died at Ramanagar in June 2021 and two workers drowned in a six-feet deep manhole in May 2022 in Bengaluru.

A shocking incident took place on Friday on the Main Road between Seegehalli and Belathur near Samrudhi Layout in KR Puram Assembly constituency represented by Urban Development Minister Byrathi Basavaraj.

Two workers were seen cleaning a huge manhole on the road without any personal protective equipment. This incident was videographed by a social activist. The workers told the social activist that they were asked by a Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) contractor to do it.

"I was shocked to see two people cleaning the manhole. It is disgusting that innocent and poor people are being engaged to clean manholes despite tragic incidents in the recent past. Many people engaged to clean manholes have died due to asphyxiation. I have complained to the authorities concerned, including the police. I expect the authorities to take suitable action against those responsible for compelling the two workers to clean the manhole," said J Jagan Kumar, a social activist.

One of the workers

Condemning the BWSSB, especially the jurisdictional engineer, for continuing the manual scavenging, Paramesh Belathur, a social activist, said manual scavenging has been banned under the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013.

"It is disgusting that people have to clean a manhole that was constructed more than a year ago. The BWSSB must press machines and equipment meant for cleaning manholes instead of engaging poor people to clean manholes manually," said Paramesh.

He said an online complaint is lodged with the jurisdictional police station. "We are expecting the police to register a case against those responsible for two people cleaning the manhole manually," he said.

When informed, Avalahalli Police Inspector confirmed that they had received the complaint online. "I have advised the complainants to visit Avalahalli Police Station. A case will be registered if the complainants visit the station," said Police Inspector Prakash.

Meanwhile, BWSSB assistant engineer Vinay Babu said that the sewer line is yet to become functional and the workers are engaged by the contractor to do plastering inside the manhole. "The workers were clearing water accumulated inside the manhole due to the recent rain. They were not cleaning the manhole," said Vinay Babu.

When asked about the lack of personal protective equipment, the BWSSB assistant engineer said that he had already directed the BWSSB contractor to take all precautions to avoid emergency situations. "I will ensure no worker enters the manhole without personal protective equipment in future," he said.

Our playgrounds are not exhibition grounds: Locals

Residents around Shalini ground protest against its takeover for commercial activities

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A large number of people, including sports enthusiasts, came together to protest against Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya on Sunday. The demonstration took place in front of the Chandragupta Maurya playground (Shalini playground) in Jayanagar over the ground being handed over to private parties and for commercial exhibitions.

Residents in the area had made complaints about the same, but in vain. They alleged that an event was recently conducted from the MP's office, and when they asked questions about it, they did not get responses. They also said that the ground is often booked for weeks, not allowing the general public to use the space.

Additionally, the surface of the playground is said to be damaged and uneven, which is unsafe for playing.

Residents who staged the protest said that this was the only ground they had in their vicinity, and over 100 youngsters play there on a daily basis. The ground is often used by youngsters for playing cricket, volleyball, and football. It also has a skating rink.

One of the protesters, Nanda Kumar MS, said, "Playgrounds are made for people to play sports, but Shalini ground is being used for private parties, exhibitions, or even prayer meets. Tejasvi Surya has not taken any action in this regard. It is the political leaders who themselves are involved in these activities to get funds. All the waste after the event is just left on the ground for many days and people find it difficult to."

"Playgrounds are made for sports, but Shalini ground is being used for private parties, exhibitions, or even prayer meets
–Nanda Kumar MS, protester

Residents in the area gathered at Shalini ground to protest against MP Tejasvi Surya on Sunday

He also said that simply because people would have to spend a lot of money for venues at other places to host events, they are conducting these at the playground which was made for public use. Many have stopped coming during weekends to play due to the commercial activities, he said, adding that people often leave behind the metal stands used to set up stages.

Many residents also complained about these events creating traffic jams due to 'illegal parking'. People end up parking haphazardly and it gets difficult for other commuters to move out, said another protester. They added that the place is also given to charitable foundations to conduct programmes or 'melas'.

Jaynagar MLA Sowmya Reddy supported the residents.

"Playgrounds are for youngsters to play. Many have started to hire grounds to conduct exhibitions for a month or so and the place gets damaged. The residents had complained to me years back as well. I had promised that I wouldn't give it out for any commercial activities other than sports tournaments. But it has come to my notice that certain permissions are being granted by MP Surya. A few days ago, an event was held, and the entire ground was damaged. Funds given to us are very less and we can't do anything to rectify it," he said.

Bangalore Mirror tried contacting Tejasvi Surya, but he was unavailable for comment.

Volunteers remove plastic from Sarakki Lake

People gathered in JP Nagar to uniquely celebrate World Tourism Day

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A group of around 40 volunteers removed more than 25 bags of plastic from Sarakki Lake, JP Nagar 7th Phase on the occasion of World Tourism Day. The cleaning drive was led by Indian Floggers Army in association with Jataka.org, Sarakki Area Improvement Trust, and the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP). Volunteers gathered at the lake on Sunday morning to clear plastic along the pathway and its surroundings.

"We collected plastic bottles, empty cigarette packs, sachets of gutka, and other disposables. On the occasion of World Tourism Day, I want to appeal to the people to carry their own cutlery wherever they go. Please do not adapt to the trash. Remember that our waste is our responsibility. Most importantly, segregation of waste at source is very essential.

We have to ensure that we do not use plastic wherever we go. If you use plastic, you have to keep it in your bag or discard it at the nearest dust bin," said Nagaraj, one of the volunteers. Kavana, a software employee who was also a part of the drive, said that she was elated to join hands with other volunteers and remove plastic from Sarakki Lake. She said that volunteers had collected 20 to 25 bags of plastic along the lake bed in an hour's time.

Sarakki Area Improvement Trust president Dr K S Bhat told Bangalore Mirror, "The volunteer had also conducted a similar drive last year. The BBMP has appointed a few workers for the maintenance of the lake. I have to thank all the volunteers who gathered at the lake on Sunday morning to remove plastic."

He said the BWSSB spent a lot of money to install a sewage treatment plant and a pump house to release treated water into the lake.

"I want the BBMP Lakes Department to expedite the development of the pathway. Around 200 people visit Sarakki Lake during the weekdays and 300 to 400 people come here during the weekends for a walk in the morning and evening," he added.

Volunteers collected about 20-25 plastic bags from the area

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Wired threat
Nandini Layout

A fence with sharp barbed wires, very close and adjacent to the footpath near Reliance Fresh, can injure pedestrians in Nandini Layout.

Dirty lakeside
Old Madras Road

Construction materials are being dumped on the side of KR Puram lake on Old Madras Road

Stick no bills
100 Feet Road

On 100 Feet Road, opposite KFC, bills are being pasted on the BMTC bus shelter and compound wall.

‘Flyovers aren’t fixes’

Study finds that building new flyovers can only divert city traffic, not curb it

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New infrastructure projects like flyovers and underpasses are not better approaches and solutions to deal with congestion, a study by the Central Road Research Institute (CRRI) reveals.

The study, called ‘gradual sustainability approach for urban transport through subtle measures’, was done at five key Metro stations in Delhi to understand the traffic situation on the ground.

Experts say that the same is true for Bengaluru or any other metro city in India. Ashish Verma, Professor, Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and Convenor, IISc Sustainable Transportation Lab (IST Lab), said that such infrastructural changes only divert traffic from one place to the other.

“In the past 15-20 years, so many flyovers and underpasses have been constructed in the city. Despite that, the traffic problem is only increasing. Bengaluru is still one of the worst cities in terms of traffic index as per the Tom Tom index,” he said.

“The thing is that they do not solve the problem from the root, they just shift the traffic congestion and often end up forming another bottleneck by diverting congestion from one place,” he explained. He stated that no amount of infrastructure would be sufficient to accommodate the increasing number of private vehicles in the city.

“India still hasn’t reached the saturation point of private vehicles like developed countries. Here, the car ownership average is about 20 cars per thousand people compared to the US where it is almost 700-800 per thousand people. In cities like Bengaluru, it must be somewhere around 150–200 cars per thousand people,” he informed. Almost 5000 new vehicles are registered every day in the city. New infrastructure cannot solve this problem.

Almost 5,000 new vehicles are registered every day, and new infrastructure cannot solve the traffic issue

> **As per studies, a car takes eight times more space to carry one passenger than public transport modes like buses**
>
> –Ashish Verma, IISc professor

What’s the alternative?

The study shows that within a few years of construction, such approaches have only increased the number of personal vehicles on roads and worsened sustainability without reducing congestion.

Instead of investing in huge infra projects, the government should invest more in public transport. Verma said that Bengaluru followed other cities like Delhi and Mumbai in constructing flyovers, but throwing open more infra projects will not fix the traffic issue. Instead, sustainable mobility should be focused on by focusing on cycling lanes and bus services.

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‘Enough flyovers, focus on public transport’

BM has been constantly stressing on the need to focus on public transport

“As per various studies, a car takes eight times more space to carry one passenger than public transport modes like buses. Similarly, two-wheelers take almost five times more space to carry one passenger. These vehicles also add to the tailpipe congestion. Public transport is not only space efficient but also checks air pollution,” he said.

The CRRI report also shows that minor corrections on roads like improving facilities for sustainable modes, no new construction for vehicle users, implementing on-street parking, lane and segregated parking for cycles and e-rickshaws, and better crossing facilities for pedestrians can reduce congestion.

Apex Court dismisses SLP in Lad case

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The Supreme Court has dismissed the special leave petition (SLP) filed by former Congress MLA Anil H Lad in a property dispute with Sreenivas Lad and others. Anil H Lad filed the SLP in the Supreme Court against the High Court orders dated August 26 and September 2.

Supreme Court Judges Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul and Justice Abmay S Oka heard the SPL on Friday. A team of advocates led by Mukul Rohatgi appeared before the court for Anil H Lad while Nikhil Nayyar and his team of advocates appeared before the court on behalf of respondents Sreenivas Lad and others.

“We are not inclined to interfere with the impugned order(s). The special leave petitions are, accordingly, dismissed,” the SC Judges said in the judgment.

It may be recalled that Karnataka High Court has ordered a debit freeze on the bank accounts of Anil H Lad and six others for non-compliance with a court order in a 20-year-old property row related to the Ballary-Sandur region of Karnataka. The High Court said that detailed orders passed on February 21, and June 3, 2022, are testimony to the repeated breach of undertakings made to the court.

“It is clear that apart from the undertaking made during the compromise and affidavit filed, the subsequent undertaking made before this court as recorded in the order dated 21.02.2022 remains to have complied,” the High Court said.

The row was about the property share of one-eighth of the portion as demanded by Srinivas Lad, the son of the third wife of the senior patriarch, late Vithal Rao Lad, which was challenged by the other family members. It is said the case was between Sreenivas and 31 respondents. After a long legal battle, the Lads arrived at an amicable settlement but Anil H Lad and five others did not honour the compromise settlement.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD

‘Poster’ netas

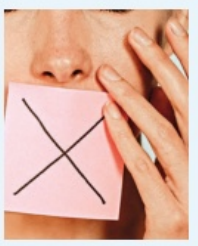
How often do you get a chance to see senior leaders pasting posters on a wall? Well, KPCC president DK Shivakumar was seen pasting glue to walls so that he could affix the anti-CM posters on walls. The Congress and BJP have been engaged in a war of words ever since the ‘PayCM posters’ adorned city walls. With police booked a few Congress workers the KPCC arranged a protest march on Friday. DK Shivakumar took the lead when he took a brush and started pasting glue on the wall so that the posters could be posted. He then didn’t leave the work unfinished as he also took lead in pasting the poster till the lensmen clicked the pictures. However, the cops were soon out there to remove the posters. While DKS was busy pasting the glue, he realised that he had no posters to paste as it was being seized by the cops. DKS, Siddaramaiah, Surjewala, and MB Patil had a tough time snatching posters from the cops.

Ragi appetite

Former PM HD Deve Gowda has the credit for popularising Karnataka’s staple food-Ragi Mudde. In fact, he had even popularised it in Delhi when he was the PM of the country. Gowda has always maintained that eating Ragi mudde every day is the secret to his healthy life. Recently, Gowda has recovered from a brief illness. Hence, a slew of leaders paid a courtesy visit to Gowda’s home to enquire about his health. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai during a friendly interaction with Gowda asked if he is still continuing to eat Ragi mudde. Gowda said in an affirmative tone stating that Ragi Mudde is his staple diet and he will continue to do so.

Muted response

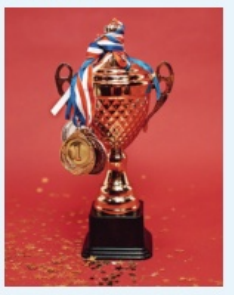
The recent smear campaign against the government created a flutter in the ruling party. The ‘PayCM’ posters which surfaced across the city saw the ruling party leaders feel the pinch. While the posters or any sort of banners are banned in the city, the police and civic agency turned a blind eye whenever such posters were posted by the ruling party. However, the posters against the government forced the officials to pull their socks and remove the posters in no time. Meanwhile, the journalists who were waiting for a reaction from former Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa were in for a surprise. When he walked towards Vidhana Soudha to take part in the Assembly proceedings, the journos stopped him to elicit his response. However, he appeared to have had no knowledge of the incident. However, BSY who was saying that he would comment after seeing the video went for a muted response.



The ‘real’ bandh

When do you feel a real bandh? Well, there may not be a bandh effect even if the other shops have shut but the closure of the hotels is the real sign of a city observing bandh, says Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai. Participating in a hotel award programme, Bommai said, “No bandh will be effective if the hotels are not closed. The real bandh is when you close your hotels when others are working. You will become our family members when our family is not at home. No matter how late it may be but still you serve the customers with a smile. The hotel industry faced a lot of problems during the Covid-19 pandemic but it still cooperated with the government. A big thanks for you”.

Prize for patience



Assembly Speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri has said that he deserves to be given a prize for his ‘patient hearing’. During the recent assembly session, there was a heated argument over an adjournment motion issue. When Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister JC Madhuswamy was speaking on the issue, the Leader of the opposition Siddaramaiah asked him to sit and started speaking on the issue. This was when Kageri asked Siddaramaiah to stop his speech. He shot back saying that the Speaker should have the patience to listen to his speech. To this, Kageri said that he has been so patiently listening to his speeches so far that he deserved to be given an award for a patient hearing.

–Sridhar Vivan

Why CCTV maintenance is critical

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Crores of rupees have been spent setting up these cameras.

The BBMP, apart from the CCTV cameras it installed at various lakes and alongside roads, decided to install an additional 2,415 CCTV cameras at vulnerable garbage points in the city last year.

Meanwhile, citizens BM spoke to said that installing CCTV cameras does help — but maintenance should be a priority.

Srinath Mandyam, a social activist, demanded the authorities, BBMP as well as police to assign manpower for the maintenance of CCTV cameras in and around Vidyaranyapura. He said that most CCTV cameras installed a few years ago by residents welfare association and police are not in working condition.

"The problem with the authorities concerned is that though they installed the CCTV cameras, they did not appoint an agency for the annual maintenance of the cameras," Mandyam said.

Emphasising the need to install CCTV cameras in and around Vidyaranyapura, Chandrasekhar recalled how residents had formed teams to patrol the locality.

"House burglaries were a cause of concern for the residents for a few months. We formed a few teams to patrol the area to prevent burglaries," he said.

A defunct CCTV camera at a bus stop in Vidyaranyapura

Meanwhile, a traffic police head constable at the Yelahanka traffic police station said that he had tried to find out the registration number of the bike by utilising the footage of CCTV cameras installed by a few residents; but did not succeed due to lack of proper lighting at night.

"The CCTV camera installed near the bus stop is not functioning. We have also checked the CCTV installed at MS Palya Junction but could not find such a bike, as described by Chandrasekhar, having passed through the traffic junction," he said.

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Residing at No. 2F, Ramya Regent, Indiranagar, 1st Main, 1st Stage, Bangalore 560 038.
2.Smt. Ira Sadana,
Daughter of Late Pran Das Sadana @ P.D. Sadana,
Aged about 52 years,
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Shun cruelty, speak up for street animals

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Animal activists and caretakers of street animals along with People for Animals have stepped in to conduct an awareness programme with the aim to help and protect the rights of street animals.

Animal lovers pointed to the increasing incidents of cruelty to animals -- in some cases dogs were beaten to death or run over by vehicles on purpose and some are trapped and relocated.

The activists talked about a dog run over by a businessman's son in his vehicle on purpose in Bengaluru.

In other parts of the state too such cases have emerged: In Ballari, over 100 street dogs whose mouths and legs were tied with metal wires were thrown into the forest. In Nipani in Belagavi, 60 street dogs were beaten up, bound and thrown outside the municipal limits. Now, activists and other animal lovers will protest against the crimes against animals on October 1 at Freedom Park and demand that the government take stern actions against the culprits.

The citizens demanded nationwide implementation of Animal Birth Control Rules, 2001 to sterilise and immunise street dogs, advertised and promoted to encourage public participation. They will also carry out sensitivity training for municipal and panchayat staff as well as for police and law enforcement agencies.

They have demanded the inclusion of animal welfare as a subject in schools and for the immediate adoption of the amended Prevention of Cruelty To Animals Act, 1960 with increased punishment for crimes against animals.

President Murmu in town

President Droupadi Murmu is scheduled to visit Karnataka from September 26 to 28. This will be her first visit to any state as the President of India.

On September 26, the President will inaugurate the Mysuru Dasara Festival at Chamundi Hills, Mysuru. On the same day, she will attend the felicitation function 'Poura Sanmana' organized by the Hubli-Dharwad Municipal Corporation at Hubbali. She will also inaugurate the new campus of the Indian Institute of Information Technology Dharwad at Dharwad.

On Tuesday, the president will inaugurate an Integrated Cryogenic Engines Manufacturing Facility of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited in Bengaluru, followed by laying the foundation stone for the Zonal Institute of Virology (South Zone) virtually.

She will further grace the inaugural function of St. Joseph's University on the same day and later attend a civic reception hosted by the Government of Karnataka in her honour in Bengaluru.

President Murmu will then return to the national capital on Wednesday, September 28. **ANI**

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Collective memories

'Mandela effect' explains how many people in this world share false memories

Imagine the Monopoly Man. Is he wearing a monocle or not? If you pictured the character from the popular board game wearing one, you'd be wrong. In fact, he has never worn one.

If you're surprised by this, you're not alone. Many people possess the same false memory of this character. This phenomenon takes place for other characters, logos and quotes, too. For example, Pikachu from Pokémon is often thought to have a black tip on his tail, which he doesn't have. And many people are convinced that the Fruit of the Loom logo includes a cornucopia. It doesn't.

We call this phenomenon of shared false memories for certain cultural icons the 'visual Mandela Effect'.

People tend to be puzzled when they learn that they share the same false memories with other people. That's partly because they assume that what they remember and forget ought to be subjective and based on their own personal experiences.

However, research we have conducted shows that people tend to remember and forget the same images as one another, regardless of the diversity of their individual experiences. Recently, we have shown these similarities in our memories even extend to our false memories.

What is Mandela Effect?

The term 'Mandela Effect' was coined by Fiona Broome, a self-described paranormal researcher, to describe her false memory of former South African president Nelson Mandela dying in prison in the 1980s. She realized that many other people also shared this same false memory and wrote an article about her experience on her website. The concept of shared false memories spread to other forums and websites, including Reddit.

Since then, examples of the Mandela Effect have been widely shared on the internet. These include names like 'the Berenstain Bears', a children's book series that is falsely remembered as spelled '-ein' instead of '-ain', and characters like Star Wars' C-3PO, who is falsely remembered with two gold legs instead of one gold and one silver leg.

> **Mandela effect example: Many people remember Pikachu from Pokemon with a tip on its tail, but there is no black tip on its tail!**

The Mandela Effect became fodder for conspiracists – the false memories so strong and so specific that some people see them as evidence of an alternate dimension.

Because of that, scientific research has only studied the Mandela Effect as an example of how conspiracy theories spread on the internet. There has been very little research looking into the Mandela Effect as a memory phenomenon.

But understanding why these icons trigger such specific false memories might give us more insight into how false memories form. The visual Mandela Effect, which affects icons specifically, was a perfect way to study this.

Robust false memory

To see whether the visual Mandela Effect really exists, we ran an experiment in which we presented people with three versions of the same icon. One was correct and two were manipulated, and we asked them to select the correct one. There were 40 sets of icons, and they included C-3PO from the Star Wars franchise, the Fruit of the Loom logo and the Monopoly Man from the board game.

In the results, which have been accepted for publication in the journal Psychological Sciences, we found that people fared very poorly on seven of them, only choosing the correct one around or less than 33 per cent of the time. For these seven images, people consistently identified the same incorrect version, not just randomly choosing one of the two incorrect versions. In addition, participants reported being very confident in their choices and having high familiarity with these icons despite being wrong.

Put together, it's clear evidence of the phenomenon that people on the internet have talked about for years: The visual Mandela Effect is a real and consistent memory error.

We found that this false memory effect was incredibly strong, across multiple different ways of testing memory. Even when people saw the correct version of the icon, they still chose the incorrect version just a few minutes later.

And when asked to freely draw the icons from their memory, people also included the same incorrect features.

No universal cause

What causes this shared false memory for specific icons?

We found that visual features like colour and brightness could not explain the effect. We also tracked participants' mouse movements as they viewed the images on a computer screen to see if they simply didn't scan over a particular part, such as Pikachu's tail. But even when people directly viewed the correct part of the image, they still chose the false version immediately afterward. We also found that for most icons, it was unlikely people had seen the false version beforehand and were just remembering that version, rather than the correct version.

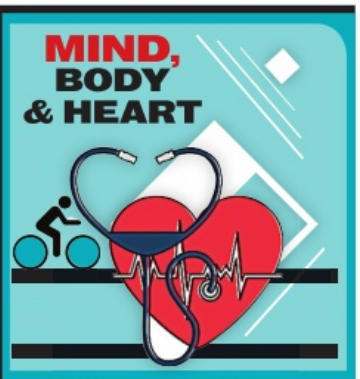
It may be that there is no one universal cause.

Different images may elicit the visual Mandela Effect for different reasons. Some could be related to prior expectations for an image, some might be related to prior visual experience with an image and others could have to do with something entirely different than the images themselves.

For example, we found that, for the most part, people only see C-3PO's upper body depicted in the media. The falsely remembered gold leg might be a result of them using prior knowledge – bodies are usually only one colour – to fill in this gap.

But the fact that we can demonstrate consistencies in false memories for certain icons suggests that part of what drives false memories is dependent on our environment – and independent of our subjective experiences with the world.

-By Deepasri Prasad, Dartmouth College and Wilma Bainbridge, University of Chicago (The Conversation)



All problems solved

Dear Coleen

I'm a woman in her early 40s and have a fantastic relationship with my husband - my issue is my friends.
Whenever we get together, they're always complaining about their husbands and partners, and I never join in because I have nothing to complain about!
The other day, I was out with a few of these pals and I mentioned that I never argue with my husband and that I feel left out because I have nothing bad to say about him.
One of the women said, "Wow, smug!" and the rest laughed, so I came back with, "I don't know why any of you are with your partners because all you do is moan about them". It went down like a cup of cold sick and when we met up since there are knowing glances between them, as if they're in on a private joke at my expense.
Why should I apologise for having a good marriage?

COLEEN SAYS

You don't have to apologise for having a good marriage or explain it to them, but if they want to sit there and moan, let them.
It sounds like it's a bit of banter and an outlet for the stuff they deal with at home. If anything, it should just make you appreciate your own marriage more.
If you get a snide look or a catty comment, then come back with some banter or sarcasm - stop comparing and criticising each other.
Also, you may not have any issues with your marriage now but, at some point in the future, you might appreciate the opportunity to let off some steam yourself!

-Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror

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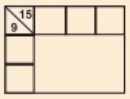
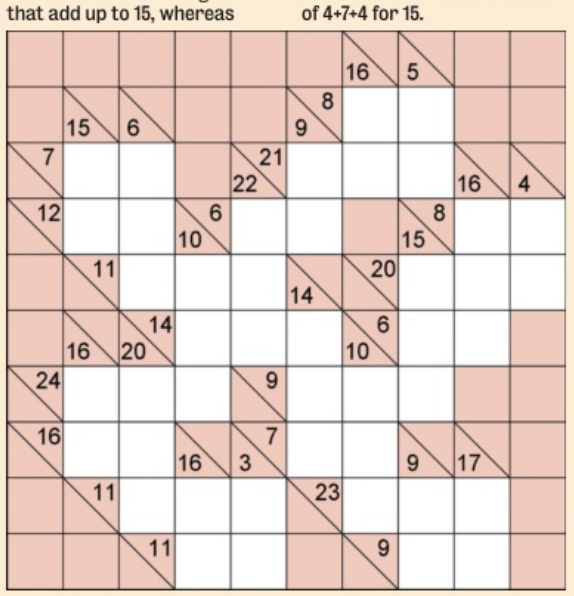


The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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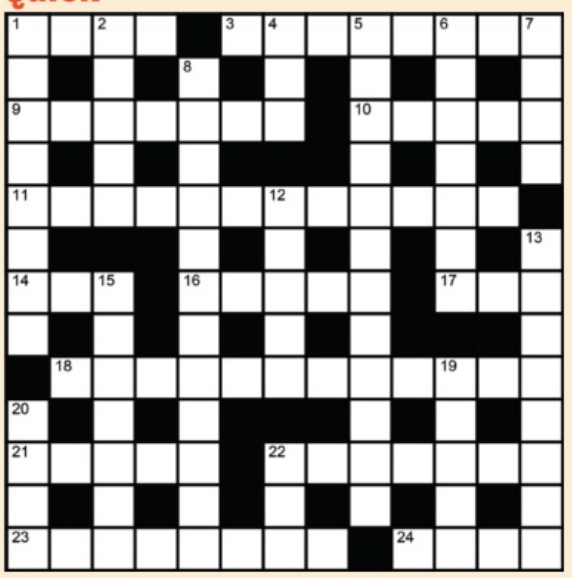


ACROSS

1 Meeting point of two curves (4)
3 Humiliating (8)
9 Someone eles (7)
10 Firmly fixed (5)
11 Made poor (12)
14 On one's ___ : on one's own ("dot" anagram)? (3)
16 Group of military officers holding power (5)
17 Seller-Furnished Equip. (3)
18 God of Small Things author (9,3)
21 Plucked string sound (5)
22 Venerate (7)
23 Famous battle (8)
24 Privy to (2,2)

DOWN

1 Ancient horse-drawn vehicles (8)
2 Journalistic coup (5)
4 Exclude (3)
5 Adequate; acceptable (12)
6 Place of entering (7)
7 Acquires or procures (4)
8 Area where you will find a lot of Government offices (12)
12 Where cowboys round up the cattle (5)
13 Depend or trust? (4,4)
15 Hibernating (7)
19 Younger Mr. Gavaskar (5)
20 Put away (4)
22 Court (3)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: E EQUALS G

ZXH FTBQ ZXWTEV FTH KRT RYAWJH RZ BHTEZX RJH ZXFVH FTH RYAWJHV UWZXFOZ STFUWTE UXQ.

Linemaro

Wow, your eyes are an exact match for the colour of my Porsche

Mindchow

Even if you are on the right track, you will get run over if you just stand there

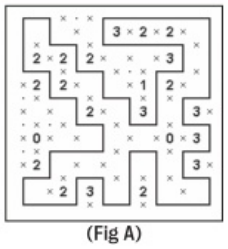
Joke of the day

Brain cells come and brain cells go, but fat cells live forever

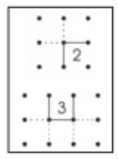
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)



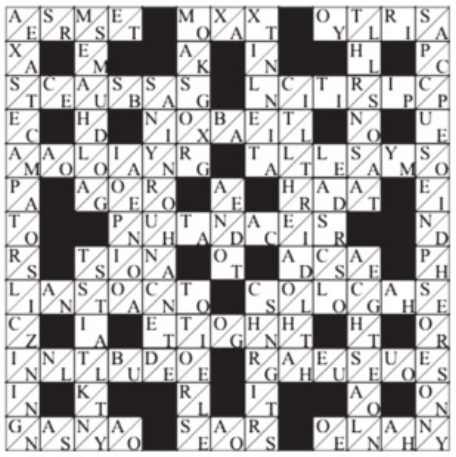
(Fig B) Not Allowed

How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)

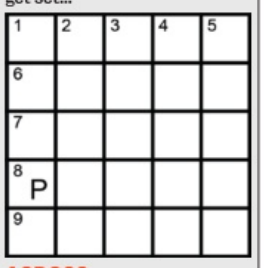
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

1 Or pap; 6 Rider; 7 Anile; 8 Poets; 9 Smite

DOWN

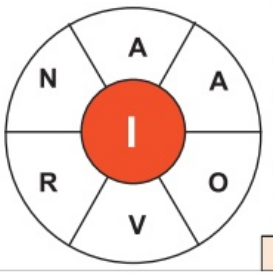
1 Pad at; 2 Pile I; 3 Prims; 4 Enter; 5 Ore so

Mensapuzzle

What number should replace the question mark?

17, 4, 29, 13, 41, 22, 53, 31, ?

Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

04 Average; 05 Good; 06 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge

		6	1		7	8		
5				8				1
	8	4				5	2	
2		8				7		3
			3		9			
4		5				1		6
	4	9				6	1	
3				7				5
		2	4		6	3		

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

Easy = 6

2 4 5 9

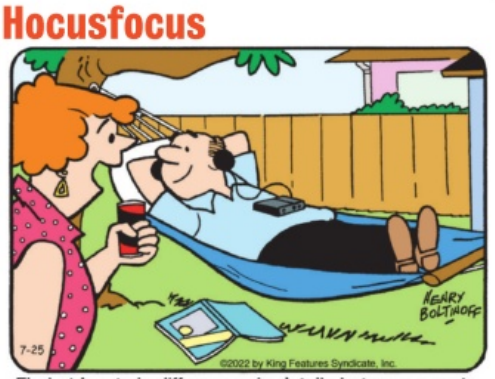
Medium = 4

2 4 7 9

Hard = 5

5 5 7 5

Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

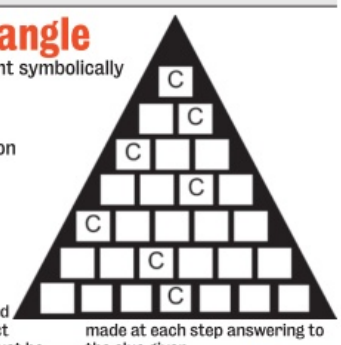
Differences: 1. Magazine is different. 2. Foot is moved. 3. Bush is reversed. 4. Tree limb is longer. 5. Collar is missing. 6. Arm is not showing.

Riddler

If you're going to rot Go all the way. A memory From olden day. A part of fruit You throw away. The hottest place In earth today. What is it?

Alpha triangle

1 Diamond's element symbolically
2 Account, abbr.
3 Tea
4 Cut ruthlessly
5 Blackboard crayon
6 Neck feather
7 Fetter



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COMICS

Redeye by Mel Casson

HOW ARE YOU GOING TO SURVIVE FOR TWO WEEKS IN THOSE HILLS ALONE ?
I PLAN TO LIVE BY MY WITS
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I'D LIKE TO ORDER A NICE LILY
Florist
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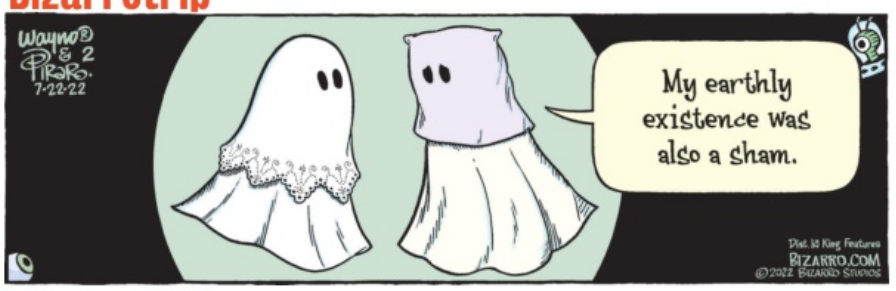

Diamond Lil

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I'VE NEVER SEEN SO MANY KIDS EATING MUFFINS! HOW'D YOU GET THEM ALL TO BUY FROM YOU?
INCENTIVE! SMALL BUSINESS STRENGTHENS THE COMMUNITY!
THESE ALL SOUND LIKE BUZZWORDS. ARE BUZZWORDS YOUR BUSINESS PLAN?
MORE OR LESS, YEAH.
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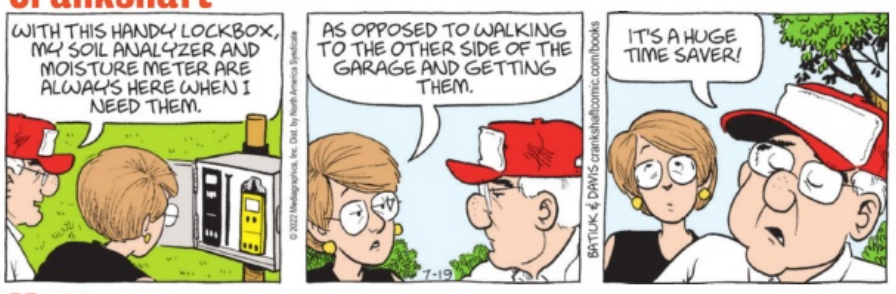
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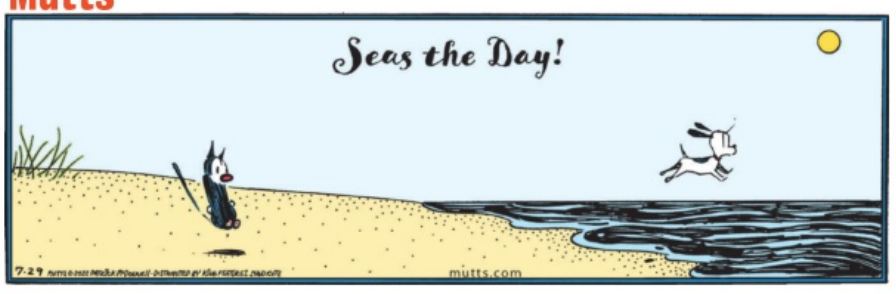
Mutts



WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you may feel healthy. You may be able to focus on your goals. Your performance may be very good at work. Your boss may be happy with you and you may get some important responsibilities at work. You may hear good news in legal matters. You are likely to have control over your opponents and business rivals.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today you may feel negativity around you. You may find your responsibilities to be a burden. You may be in a hurry to complete a task given to you. You could make silly mistakes. Your working efficiency may slow down, which will affect your day-to-day work. Your projects are likely to be delayed, and that could affect your professional life. Take advice from your elders before any important decision.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today you may want to gain knowledge. You may understand the value of intellectual assets. You may control your temper, which will help you perform tasks smoothly. There may be chances for smooth earnings, which may bring comfort to your workflow. You are likely to spend money for love. Lovebirds may enjoy happy moments.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today you may be enthusiastic and more focused, which may speed up your postponed projects. Your juniors may help you start new projects, which may give you profits in near future. You can expect some short trips related to family issues. Job seekers may hear good news in terms of work.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today, you may be able to control your expenditure on worthless things, which may increase your savings. You may be more creative today and can channel that at the office or at home. Lovebirds are likely to get some support from their family members for marriage. Students may hear good news in terms of academics.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today your willpower may help you start some new innovations on the work front. You may be likely to get a big order in your parental business, which will boost it in the future. New responsibilities in your job can keep you busy. Job seekers might get good jobs. Understanding with your spouse may be improved.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today you might face health issues, which can make you impatient. You may spend your hard-earned money on buying worthless items, so be careful. You are advised to control your short-tempered nature. Lovebirds are advised to avoid discussions on worthless topics, otherwise there might be breakups.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today you will meet some influential person who will help you progress at your work. Your network will become stronger with the help of that person. You may prepare yourself to implement new ideas in business. You will plan to invest more capital in your business, which will bring you financial gains.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today your mothers' health may be good. You may enjoy it at work. You may get rewards for your hard work. Your social respect may be increased now. Overworking your mind can make you tired. Due to your workload, you may not be able to attend some family events.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you may be satisfied at work. You may plan for a short work-related trip. You may also visit some spiritual place to maintain your inner peace. Your elders may show you the right path, which may give you clarity regarding your goals and ambitions.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today you may feel dull. It is advised to keep your mind cool. Think twice before any act. You may need to travel to recover your money, otherwise you may lose it. You are also advised to avoid adventure tours. Students are advised to go for in-depth study to get success.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today you may feel good. Domestic harmony can make you happy. You can meet some influential people to get some benefits on the work front. You are likely to perform well at your job. You can expect some rewards in terms of promotions. Disputes in inherited property are likely to settle down.

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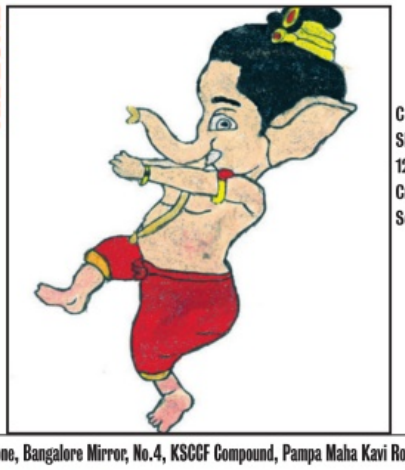

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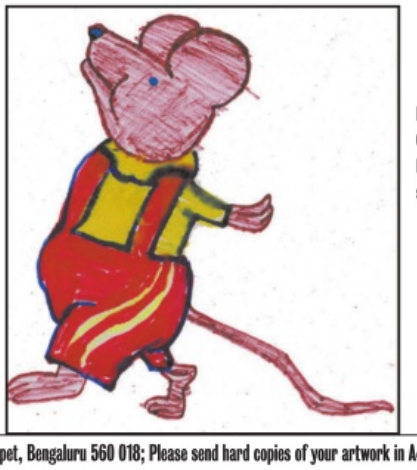

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RIDDLER Core

QUOTE UNCODE
The only things one can admire at length are those one admires without knowing why.

QUICK

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ALPHA TRIANGLE
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GO FIGURE
Easy
4 + 9 – 2 – 5 = 6
Medium
9 + 4 – 7 – 2 = 4
Hard
5 – 5 x 7 + 5 = 5

LOOP

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 # Action-packed
Streaming service Netflix on Saturday Netflix unveiled the action-packed footage from Alia Bhatt's Hollywood debut 'Heart of Stone'

Aish's perfect guru

Aishwarya Rai Bachchan on Saturday said her daughter Aaradhya had joined her on the sets of Mani Ratnam's magnum opus "Ponniyin Selvan - I" and it was an enchanting experience for her. Based on Kalki Krishnamurthy's 1955 novel, the much-anticipated Tamil historical drama chronicles the story of the early days of Arulmozhivarman, a powerful king of the south who went on to become the great Chola emperor Rajaraja Chola I.

The 48-year-old star, who will be seen essaying the role of Nandini, the Queen of Pazhuvoor, said for her daughter, it was a cherishable moment to be on the sets of the film. "Aaradhya is yet to see the movie. But at the time, she was enthralled. There are many here (referring to her co-stars) who have children and seeing a period drama is always exciting. She did get the opportunity to visit the sets and it was mesmerising for her. I could see that in her eyes," Aishwarya said at the film's press conference here. The actor shared how Ratnam's gesture to give the opportunity to Aaradhya to say 'action' turned out to be the most memorable moment for her daughter. "And his affection is so sweet. I think what excited her the most was when one day she came on set and he gave her the opportunity to say 'action'.

"She couldn't get over that. She is like, 'Sir gave me the opportunity to say that.' So that's probably the most cherished memory. This is really precious and she values it already. I think, in growing up years, it would be a much cherished memory," she added. Aishwarya made her acting debut with Ratnam's 1997 Tamil film "Iruvar".

Working with the filmmaker is always a dream-like experience, said the actor.

She credits Ratnam for shaping her as a performer.

"He is the perfect school and guru. I didn't come with any formal training. I just dived right into it all. I got to work with him. A lot of it is spiritual and divine and a lot of it is work ethic," the actor added. **-PTI**

With stars in her eyes

Amoolya shares her inspirations and life goals

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Amoolya Gowda from Mysuru dares to dream big. Amoolya made her debut as an actress on the small screen in 2015. She played second lead in tele serials Sundari and Aparanji. She played Vanitha Vasu's daughter in Agnisakshi.

"I played a guest role in Sharan and Ashika Ranganath-starrer Rambo 2. I was assigned to play the lead in a Kannada movie but the project was shelved due to the reasons best known to its producer and director. Director Mahesh contacted me to play an important character in a Kannada movie," says Amoolya.

According to Amoolya, Kannada tele serial Nannarasi Radhe made her famous among TV viewers in Karnataka. "I got an opportunity to come back after a gap of two years due to Covid pandemic. "The character role (as Ashwini) I got in Nannarasi Radhe is very challenging and it has two shades," says Amoolya. What made her prefer the tinsel world? "Ashwath Ninasam is my cousin. Many of my relatives too encouraged me to become an actress. But, my inspiration is Ramya who earned name by acting in Kannada and other language movies. I want to become famous like my favourite actress Ramya. Apart from becoming an actress, I have also nourished an ambition of becoming a director and have a production house like how Ramya ma'am announced her production house," says Amoolya.

She claims she has watched Ramya's movies and got inspired and motivated to become somebody in Sandalwood. "Being an ardent fan of Ramya, I watched all of her movies and will continue to watch her movies if my favourite actress acts in movies in future," she says.

Chris goes extreme

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Hollywood star Chris Hemsworth, on Sunday, unveiled the first look and also shared some BTS videos of the extreme action sequences of his upcoming film 'Extraction 2'.

Taking to Instagram, Chris shared a video which he captioned, "We're landing helicopters on moving trains WE ARE BACK for Extraction 2 - where the on-camera stunt-work is just as mind-blowing as the behind-the-scenes effort it takes to shoot it!" In the BTS video, the 'Avengers: Endgame' actor could be seen performing hard action sequences along with other star casts of the film.

Soon after the 'Thor' actor shared the glimpse of 'Extraction 2' fans flooded the comment section with red heart and fire emoticons.

"omg this looks so bloody good!!! Ahhh I can't wait!!," a fan commented.

Another fan wrote, "Very Excited to see this movie!!" Helmed by Sam Hargrave, the film will premiere exclusively on Netflix.

The official release date of the film is still awaited. Released in 2020, 'Extraction' was a big hit. It featured black-ops mercenary Tyler Rake (Hemsworth) travelling to Bangladesh to rescue the kidnapped son of a drug lord. At the end of the film, Tyler Rake (Hemsworth) took a bullet to the neck while protecting the child. The climax made fans wonder if Tyler Rake survived.

Bollywood actor Randeep Hooda was also a part of the first instalment of the film.

Upon its release, the film was viewed on Netflix by an estimated 90 million households.

Chris will reteam with director Sam Hargrave for 'Extraction 2' which is produced by Joe and Anthony Russo via their AGBO banner, from a script by 'Avengers: Endgame' filmmaker Joe Russo, who also penned the first instalment of the film. **-ANI**

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'Bond Ravi will be a hit'

Pramod and Kajal Kunder

Pramod, who made his debut as an actor with Geetha Bangle Store, is confident of his latest movie's success at the box office. Bond Ravi is his latest movie that is scheduled for release shortly. The movie's teaser was released on Saturday at SRV Theater, Malleswaram.

"I accepted this movie with a lot of love and commitment. I worked hard during the shooting and I am confident of its success. Its content is very good and has the potential to make me famous after this movie is released at theaters shortly," says Pramod.

He played the lead role in Geetha Bangle Store that released in 2017. He played the role of a driver in Premier Padmini in which Jaggesh played an important character role. The movie was released in April 2019. His other movies are Matte Udbhava and Ratnan Prapancha. "Bond Ravi has all the ingredients to entertain mass audiences. Punchy dialogues and action scenes are the added value," says Pramod.

Kajal Kunder is the leading lady in this movie directed by Prajwal who makes debut as a director in Sandalwood. Ravi Kale, Dharma, Vijay Chendoor, Shobharaj and Tara are the other star cast in this movie. Mano Murthy, who composed music for Mungaru Male, is the music director for this movie. Its shooting is held in Bengaluru, Shivamogga, Kodachadri, Kudremukh, Udupi and Mangaluru.

She's got the look
10 times actress Shilpa Shetty gave us serious fashion goals
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